

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

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## CERTIFIED MAIL and ELECTRONIC MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED 7009 1680 0000 7646 0910

Mr. Daniel F. Vicari Executive Director Gary Sanitary District 3600 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Gary, Indiana 46402

Ms. Niquelle Allen Winfrey City of Gary Corporation Counsel 401 Broadway Gary, Indiana 46402

Subject: Approval of Gary Sanitary District's July 17, 2018 Stress Test Report

Dear Mr. Vicari and Ms. Winfrey:

On March 19, 2018, the City of Gary (Gary) entered into a consent decree (CD) with the United States and the State of Indiana in resolution of Clean Water Act and Toxic Substances Control Act violations by Gary and Gary Sanitary District. The CD required Gary to prepare and submit a Stress Test Report to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) for their review and approval, within 120 days of the effective date of the CD. Gary submitted the Stress Test Report on July 17, 2018. In accordance with Section XIX of the CD, and after consultation with IDEM, EPA approves Gary's submission of the Stress Test Report dated July 17, 2018.

Thank you for your efforts to protect water quality. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, contact Andi Hodaj of my staff at (312) 353-4645 or, via email at hodaj.andi@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Patrick F. Kuefler

Chief, Water Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch